# Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington DC 20554

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Request for Form 471 Submission	)	
Deadline Waiver for Montgomery	)	Form 471 Number 161043917
County Public Schools	)	
Troy, NC	)	
	)	
Schools and Libraries Universal Service	)	CC Docket No. 02-6
Support Mechanism	)	
	)	

## Request for Waiver

In accordance with Sections 54.719 through 54.721 of the Commission's Rules, King Montgomery County Schools (Montgomery), through its consultant, requests the waiver of the Form 471 filing deadline for Fund Year 2016. Consistent with precedent in the Academy for Academic Excellence, we ask the Commission to grant this waiver request.<sup>1</sup>

Montgomery County Public Schools (filing as consortium)

**Billed Entity Number: 162994** 

FCC Registration Number: 0011654100

Form 471 Number: 161043917

## Background

Montgomery County Schools contracted with E-rate Services, LLC to file their 2016-2017 applications. This school system utilizes the state of NC's voice contracts provided through the NC Office of Information Technology Services (NCOITS). These 471 applications are filed by the school systems or their designated consultant via the NCOITS EPC portal. During this filing cycle, the senior consultant was diagnosed with cancer.

The state released the new contract information required for completing the local voice service at 5:26 p.m. on May 23. A draft 471 for Montgomery to proof was sent at 11:30 p.m. on

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Academy for Academic Excellence, DA 07-1180, Rel. March 9, 2007, CC Docket No. 02-6

the 23<sup>rd</sup> (attached). The senior consultant was receiving chemo treatment during this time. The wrong draft 471 was submitted. It wasn't until NCOITS checked on November 16<sup>th</sup> that we knew the correct 471 had not been submitted.

The chief consultant had surgery for breast cancer in February 2016. The oncologist cautioned E-rate applications couldn't be filed while getting treatments because of "chemo brain". Treatment was postponed until early May when the 471 filing window was initially to close. Treatments could not be put off an additional month when the window was extended.

The combination of the medical condition and the learning curve required using the NCOITS EPC portal created the perfect storm. E-rate precautions the consulting firm typically has in place were not options at that time.

#### Discussion

The Commission recognizes that in some limited circumstances Form 471 deadline waiver is warranted. Specifically, waiver is justified when late filing is due to circumstances beyond the applicants' control such as staff illness or relatives.<sup>2</sup> In this case, the Form 471 was complete except for certification. Because of Montgomery's consultant cancer treatment and associated and documented cognitive issues, the certification confirmation was overlooked. Compounding the problem was the new EPC Portal and problems associated with submission of applications and certifications. In previous years, the consultant was able to verify submission of applications using the Administrator's Data Retrieval Tool. For Fund Year 2016, that tool was not available until well after close of the filing window.

#### Conclusion

The Montgomery situation falls within the parameters of Academy of Academic Excellence. Montgomery asks the Commission to allow 471 application #161043917 to be

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Academy for Academic Excellence at 4.

considered filed within the 2016 E-Rate filing window.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Johnson

E-rate Services, LLC

919-353-1723

919-775-1421 (fax)



## Description of Services Ordered and Certification DRAFT Form 471

## FCC Form 471

**Application Information** 

Nickname

Montgomery Local & LD - DIT

**Application Number** 

161043917

Funding Year

2016

Category of Service

Category 1

**Billed Entity** 

NORTH CAROLINA OFFICE OF INFORMATION T ECHNOLOGY SERVICES 3700 WAKE FOREST ROAD, PO BOX 17209 RAL EIGH NC 27619 - 7209 919-754-6347 **Contact Information** 

Rodney Neal 910-576-6511

dit.mcs@montgomery.k12.nc.us

Billed Entity Number

162994

**FCC Registration Number** 

0011654100

**Applicant Type** 

Consortium

Holiday/Summer Contact

erate@erateservices.com

Information

## **Entity Information**

#### **Consortium Entities**

### Related School District Entity - Details

BEN	Name	Urban/ Rural	State School ID	NCES Code	School District Attributes	Endowment
126844	MONTGOMERY COUNTY SCHOOL DIST	Rural			Public School District	None

## **Related Entity Information**

#### **Consortium Related Entities**

## Related Child School Entity - Details

BEN	Name	Urban/ Rural	State LEA ID	State School ID	NCES Code	Alternative Discount	School Attributes	Endowment
27825	EAST MIDDLE SCHOOL	Rural		and, spinished as public OCC Company of the Company		None	Public School	None
27826	EAST MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL	Rural				None	Public School	None
27849	CANDOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	Rural				None	Pre-K; Public School	None

BEN	Name	Urban/	State	State	NCES Code	Alternative	School Attributes	Endowment
	and death of the state of the s	Rural	LEA ID	School ID		Discount		
27978	MOUNT GILEAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	Rural				None	Pre-K; Public School	None
27979	WEST MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL	Rural			A 100 C 100	None	Public School	None
27980	WEST MIDDLE SCHOOL	Rural				None	Public School	None
28050	STAR BISCOE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	Rural				None	Pre-K; Public School	None
28072	TROY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	Rural				None	Pre-K; Public School	None
225110	PAGE STREET ELEMENTARY	Rural				None	Public School	None
16046851	MONTGOMERY LEARNING ACADEMY	Rural				None	Public School	None
16046870	GREEN RIDGE ELEM SCHOOL	Rural				None	Pre-K; Public School	None

## Related Child School Entity - Discount Rate Calculation Details

BEN	Name	Urban/	Number of	Students	CEP
		Rural	Students	Count Based	Percentage
				on Estimate	
27825	EAST MIDDLE SCHOOL	Rural	435	N/A	
27826	EAST MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL	Rural	661	N/A	
27849	CANDOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	Rural	375	N/A	
27978	MOUNT GILEAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	Rural	327	N/A	
27979	WEST MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL	Rural	584	N/A	
27980	WEST MIDDLE SCHOOL	Rural	429	N/A	
28050	STAR BISCOE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	Rural	249	N/A	
28072	TROY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	Rural	269	N/A	
225110	PAGE STREET ELEMENTARY	Rural	285	N/A	
16046851	MONTGOMERY LEARNING ACADEMY	Rural	48	N/A	
16046870	GREEN RIDGE ELEM SCHOOL	Rural	547	N/A	

## **Related School District NIFs**

School District BEN	School District Name	NIF BEN	NIF Name
126844	MONTGOMERY COUNTY SCHOOL DIST	16033133	MONTGOMERY COUNTY DISTRICT OFFICE

## **Discount Rate**

Category One Discount Rate	Category Two Discount Rate	Voice Discount Rate
90%	85%	50%

## **School District Discount Rate**

School District Enrollment	School District NSLP Count	School District NSLP Percentage	School District Urban/	Category One Discount Rate	Category Two Discount Rate	Voice Discount Rate
			Rural Status			
4209	3170	76.0%	Rural	90%	85%	50%

### Funding Request for FRN #1699097034

Funding Request Nickname:

Long Distance

Service Type:

Voice

## **Agreement Information - Contract**

Contract Number

ITS-004729

**Account Number** 

910.576.6511

Establishing FCC Form 470

160007778

Service Provider

AT&T Corp. (SPN: 143001192)

Was an FCC Form 470 posted

for the product and/or services

you are requesting?

Yes

**Based on State Master** 

Yes

Contract?

Based on a multiple award

January 25, 2016

schedule?

Yes

How many bids were received 0

What is the service start date? July 01, 2016

for this contract?

**Award Date** 

Includes Voluntary Extensions? No

Remaining Voluntary

Extensions

**Total Remaining Contract** 

Length

What is the date your contract June 30, 2018

expires for the current term of

the contract?

## **Pricing Confidentiality**

Is there a statute, rule, or other restriction which prohibits No publication of the specific pricing information for this contract?

**Narrative** 

Long distance service from AT&T via the DIT state master contracts. The school district has no information as to if the state master contract will be extended. The upload contracts feature was not designed for state master contracts. We entered the data the best we could using the information available from senior USAC staff, DPI and DIT.

#### Line Item # 1699097034.001

#### **Product and Service Details**

**Function** 

Voice

**Type of Connection** 

Long Distance Phone Service Only

## Cost Calculation for FRN Line Item # 1699097034.001

Monthly Cost	
Monthly Recurring Unit Cost	\$230.29
Monthly Recurring Unit Ineligible Costs	- \$0.00
Monthly Recurring Unit Eligible Costs	= \$230.29
Monthly Quantity	x 1

One-Time Cost	
One-time Unit Cost	\$0.00
One-time Ineligible Unit Costs	- \$0.00
One-time Eligible Unit Cost	= \$0.00
One-time Quantity	x 0
Total Eligible One-time Costs	= \$0.00

Total Monthly Eligible Recurring	= \$230.29
Costs	
Months of Service	x 12
Total Eligible Recurring Costs	= \$2,763.48

Total Eligible Recurring Costs	\$2,763.48
Total Eligible One-time Costs	+ \$0.00
Pre-Discount Extended Eligible Line Item Cost	= \$2,763.48

## **Recipients of Services**

BEN	Name
27825	EAST MIDDLE SCHOOL
27826	EAST MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL
27849	CANDOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
27978	MOUNT GILEAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
27979	WEST MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL
27980	WEST MIDDLE SCHOOL
28050	STAR BISCOE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
28072	TROY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
225110	PAGE STREET ELEMENTARY
16046851	MONTGOMERY LEARNING ACADEMY
16046870	GREEN RIDGE ELEM SCHOOL
16033133	MONTGOMERY COUNTY DISTRICT OFFICE

## FRN Calculation for FRN #1699097034

Monthly Charges	
Total Monthly Recurring Charges	\$230.29
Total Monthly Ineligible Charges	- \$0.00
Total Monthly Eligible Charges	= \$230.29
Total Number of Months of Service	x 12
Total Eligible Pre-Discount Recurring Charges	= \$2,763.48

Total Eligible Pre-Discount	\$2,763.48
Recurring Charges	
Total Eligible Pre-Discount One-	+ \$0.00
Time Charges	
Total Pre-Discount Charges	= \$2,763.48
Discount Rate	50%
Funding Commitment Request	= \$1,381.74

One-Time Charges		
Total One-Time Charges	\$0.00	
Total Ineligible One-Time Charges	- \$0.00	
Total Eligible Pre-Discount One-Time Charges	= \$0.00	

## Funding Request for FRN #1699114434

Funding Request Nickname:

CenturyLink Local - July to December

Service Type:

Voice

## **Agreement Information - Contract**

**Contract Number** 

ITS-004467

**Account Number** 

910.576.6511

Establishing FCC Form 470

160007778

CenturyLink Carolina Telephone

and Telegraph Co FKA Embarq

(SPN: 143001484)

Yes

Yes

Was an FCC Form 470 posted

Yes for the product and/or services

you are requesting?

January 25, 2016

How many bids were received 0

for this contract?

**Award Date** 

What is the service start date? July 01, 2016

**Based on State Master** 

Service Provider

Contract?

Based on a multiple award

schedule?

Includes Voluntary Extensions? No

Remaining Voluntary

Extensions

**Total Remaining Contract** 

Length

What is the date your contract December 31, 2016

expires for the current term of

the contract?

## **Pricing Confidentiality**

Is there a statute, rule, or other restriction which prohibits publication of the specific pricing information for this contract?

**Narrative** 

Local voice service for 150 users

#### Line Item # 1699114434.001

#### **Product and Service Details**

**Function** 

Voice

Type of Connection

Local Phone Service Only

## Cost Calculation for FRN Line Item # 1699114434.001

Monthly Recurring Unit Cost	\$2,669.15
Monthly Recurring Unit Ineligible Costs	- \$0.00
Monthly Recurring Unit Eligible Costs	= \$2,669.15
Monthly Quantity	x 1
Total Monthly Eligible Recurring Costs	= \$2,669.15
Months of Service	x 6
Total Eligible Recurring Costs	= \$16,014.90

One-Time Cost	
One-time Unit Cost	\$0.00
One-time Ineligible Unit Costs	- \$0.00
One-time Eligible Unit Cost	= \$0.00
One-time Quantity	x 0
Total Eligible One-time Costs	= \$0.00
Summary	040.044.00
Total Eligible Recurring Costs	\$16,014.90
Total Eligible One-time Costs	+ \$0.00
Pre-Discount Extended Eligible Line Item Cost	= \$16,014.90

## **Recipients of Services**

BEN	Name
27825	EAST MIDDLE SCHOOL
27826	EAST MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL
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27980	WEST MIDDLE SCHOOL
28050	STAR BISCOE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
28072	TROY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
225110	PAGE STREET ELEMENTARY
16046851	MONTGOMERY LEARNING ACADEMY
16046870	GREEN RIDGE ELEM SCHOOL
16033133	MONTGOMERY COUNTY DISTRICT OFFICE

### FRN Calculation for FRN #1699114434

Monthly Charges		
Total Monthly Recurring Charges	\$2,669.15	
Total Monthly Ineligible Charges	- \$0.00	
Total Monthly Eligible Charges	= \$2,669.15	
Total Number of Months of Service	x 6	
Total Eligible Pre-Discount Recurring Charges	= \$16,014.90	

Total Requested Amount		
Total Eligible Pre-Discount Recurring Charges	\$16,014.90	
Total Eligible Pre-Discount One- Time Charges	+ \$0.00	
Total Pre-Discount Charges	= \$16,014.90	
Discount Rate	50%	
Funding Commitment Request	= \$8,007.45	

One-Time Charges		
Total One-Time Charges	\$0.00	
Total Ineligible One-Time Charges	- \$0.00	
Total Eligible Pre-Discount One-Time Charges	= \$0.00	

## Funding Request for FRN #1699114449

Funding Request Nickname:

CenturyLink Local - January to June

Service Type:

Voice

## **Agreement Information - Contract**

**Contract Number** 

ITS-004467

**Account Number** 

910.576.6511

Establishing FCC Form 470

160007778

Service Provider

CenturyLink Carolina Telephone and Telegraph Co FKA Embarq

(SPN: 143001484)

Was an FCC Form 470 posted Yes for the product and/or services

**Based on State Master** 

Yes

you are requesting?

January 25, 2016

Based on a multiple award

Yes

**Award Date** 

schedule?

Contract?

How many bids were received 0 for this contract?

Includes Voluntary Extensions? No

What is the service start date? January 01, 2017

Remaining Voluntary Extensions

Total Remaining Contract Length

What is the date your contract June 30, 2018 expires for the current term of the contract?

## **Pricing Confidentiality**

Is there a statute, rule, or other restriction which prohibits

No
publication of the specific pricing information for this contract?

Narrative

Local voice service for 150 users

#### Line Item # 1699114449.001

#### **Product and Service Details**

Function

Voice

Type of Connection

Local Phone Service Only

#### Cost Calculation for FRN Line Item # 1699114449.001

Monthly Recurring Unit Cost	\$2,669.15
Monthly Recurring Unit Ineligible Costs	- \$0.00
Monthly Recurring Unit Eligible Costs	= \$2,669.15
Monthly Quantity	x 1
Total Monthly Eligible Recurring Costs	= \$2,669.15
Months of Service	x 6
Total Eligible Recurring Costs	= \$16,014.90

One-Time Cost	
One-time Unit Cost	\$0.00
One-time Ineligible Unit Costs	- \$0.00
One-time Eligible Unit Cost	= \$0.00
One-time Quantity	x 0
Total Eligible One-time Costs	= \$0.00
Summary  Total Eligible Recurring Costs	\$16,014.90
Total Eligible One-time Costs	+ \$0.00
Pre-Discount Extended Eligible Line Item Cost	= \$16,014.90

## **Recipients of Services**

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27979	WEST MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL
27980	WEST MIDDLE SCHOOL
28050	STAR BISCOE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
28072	TROY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

BEN	Name	
225110	PAGE STREET ELEMENTARY	
16046851	MONTGOMERY LEARNING ACADEMY	
16046870	GREEN RIDGE ELEM SCHOOL	
16033133	MONTGOMERY COUNTY DISTRICT OFFICE	

#### FRN Calculation for FRN #1699114449

Monthly Charges				
Total Monthly Recurring Charges	\$2,669.15			
Total Monthly Ineligible Charges	- \$0.00			
Total Monthly Eligible Charges	= \$2,669.15			
Total Number of Months of Service	x 6			
Total Eligible Pre-Discount Recurring Charges	= \$16,014.90			

One-Time Charges			
Total One-Time Charges	\$0.00		
Total Ineligible One-Time Charges	- \$0.00		
Total Eligible Pre-Discount One-Time Charges	= \$0.00		

Total Requested Amount  Total Eligible Pre-Discount	\$16,014.90
Recurring Charges	φ10,014.00
Total Eligible Pre-Discount One-	+ \$0.00
Time Charges	
Total Pre-Discount Charges	= \$16,014.90
Discount Rate	50%
Funding Commitment Request	= \$8,007.45

#### Notice

Section 54.504 of the Federal Communications Commission's rules requires all schools and libraries ordering services that are eligible for and seeking universal service discounts to submit an application for such discounts by filing this Services Ordered and Certification Form (FCC Form 471) with the Universal Service Administrator, 47 C.F.R. § 54,504. The collection of information stems from the Commission's authority under Section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. 47 U.S.C. § 254. The data in the report will be used to ensure that schools and libraries comply with the application requirements for universal service discounts contained in 47 C.F.R. § 54.504. Schools and libraries must file this form themselves or as part of a consortium. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The FCC is authorized under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to collect the information we request in this form. We will use the information you provide to determine whether approving your application for universal service discounts is in the public interest. If we believe there may be a violation or a potential violation of any applicable statute, regulation, rule or order, your application may be referred to the Federal, state, or local agency responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing, or implementing the statute, rule, regulation or order. In certain cases, the information in your application for universal service discounts may be disclosed to the Department of Justice or a court or adjudicative body when (a) the FCC; or (b) any employee of the FCC; or (c) the United States Government is a party of a proceeding before the body or has an interest in the proceeding. In addition, consistent with the Communications Act of 1934, FCC regulations and orders, the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, or other applicable law, information provided in or submitted with this form or in response to subsequent inquiries may be disclosed to the public. If you owe a past due debt to the Federal government, the information you provide may also be disclosed to the Department of the Treasury Financial Management Service, other Federal agencies and/or your employer to offset your salary, IRS tax refund or other payments to collect that debt. The FCC may also provide the information to these agencies through the matching of computer records when authorized. If you do not provide the information we request on the form, the FCC or the Universal Service Administrator may delay processing of your application for universal service discounts or may return your application without action. The foregoing Notice is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. No. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. § 3501, et seq. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 4.5 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, completing, and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the reporting burden to the Federal Communications Commission, Performance Evaluation and Records Management, Washington, DC 20554. We also will accept your comments via the email if you send them to PRA@FCC.gov. DO NOT SEND COMPLETED WORKSHEETS TO THESE ADDRESSES.